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FM AMEMBASSY MANILA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7103

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SUBJ: PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS

1. AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT MARCOS THIS MORNING, IN THE TRADITIONAL CEREMONY BUT WITH THE UNCOMMON WARMTH AND SPECIAL FEELING THAT CONTINUES TO CHARACTERIZE US-PHILIPPINE RELATIONS.

2. THE ENTIRE CEREMONY APPEARED LIVE ON NATIONAL TELEVISION. EVERY CABINET MEMBER AND PERSON OF EQUIVALENT RANK WAS PRESENT, SAVE THREE--AND TWO OF THOSE WERE OUT OF THE COUNTRY; A HANDFUL IS MORE NORMAL. MARCOS READ THE SUBSTANTIVE PART OF HIS RESPONSE TO THE AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS IN ENGLISH AS WELL AS IN PILIPINO, A DEPARTURE FROM RECENT PRACTICE UNDOUBTEDLY HAVING IN MIND THE LOCAL BUT MULTI-NATIONAL AUDIENCE.

3. IN HIS RESPONSE, MARCOS AID IN PART:
"IT IS INDEED AN HONOR FOR THE PHILIPPINES TO RECEIVE AN AMBASSADOR WITH YOUR BACKGROUND, EXPERIENCE, AND TRAINING. I CONSIDER IT AS A TOKEN NOT ONLY OF THE IMPORTANCE YOUR GOVERNMENT PLACES ON THE PHILIPPINES, BUT ALSO OF ITS REALIZATION OF THE ROLE THAT OUR REGION CAN PLAY FOR WORLD PEACE."...

"THE INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT YOUR PRESIDENT
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HAS MADE RECENTLY IN BRINGING TOGETHER THE

GREAT POWERS IN THIS AREA OF THE WORLD HAS
MADE POSSIBLE THE EASING OF TENSIONS AND WE CAN NOW
LOOK FORWARD TO AN ERA OF COMPARATIVE PEACE, WHICH WILL
CERTAINLY ENABLE US TO DEVOTE MORE OF OUR EFFORTS TO
CONSTRUCTIVE ENDEAVORS IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE LIVING
CONDITIONS OF OUR MASSES. I AM HAPPY TO NOTE THE
INTENTION OF YOUR GOVERNMENT THAT IN ALL OUR AREAS OF
ASSOCIATION THE BASIS OF YOUR POLICIES WILL BE MUTUAL
RESPECT AND UNDERSTANDING WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF OUR
MUTUAL INTERESTS. WITH THIS AS A BASIS, I LOOK FORWARD
TO A VERY FRUITFUL ASSOCIATION WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT."

4. TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT AND MARCOS' REPLY
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